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## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 154**

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A RESOLUTION to commend Taiwan's democracy, and congratulate the elections of President-elect Tsai Ing-wen and Vice-President-elect Chen-Chien

WHEREAS, Taiwan and the State of Tennessee have been sister states since 1980; and

WHEREAS, the two states enjoy a long history of friendship, trade, and cultural exchange; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan held a fair presidential election on January 16, 2016, that represents the democracy's third peaceful transition of power; and

WHEREAS, Taiwan elected its first female president, Tsai Ing-wen, and elected Chen-Chien Jen as Vice President; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of State and the American Institute in Taiwan have praised Taiwan's democratic elections; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that the members of this body commend Taiwan's democracy and the country's responsible global citizenship, and offer our congratulations on the successful election of President-elect Tsai Ing-wen and Vice President-elect Chen-Chien Jen.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.